

Substitute Bill No. 5420

February Session, 2014



AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDS FOR WATER SUPPLIES IN CONTAMINATED AREAS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of section 22a-471 of the
- 2 2014 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following
- 3 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2014*):
- 4 (b) (1) (A) Any municipality not responsible for the pollution of the 5 groundwaters which is ordered to provide potable drinking water in 6 accordance with subsection (a) of this section may apply to the 7 commissioner for a grant as provided by this subsection. Except as 8 provided in subparagraph (C) of subdivision (1) of this subsection and in subdivision (2) of this subsection, the commissioner shall make 10 grants for the short-term provision of potable drinking water and the 11 construction or installation of individual wells or individual water 12 treatment systems, including, but not limited to, carbon absorption 13 filters and shall make grants for other capital improvements for the 14 long-term provision of potable drinking water and water required to 15 meet the public health and firefighting needs of such municipality 16 from any bond authorization established for that purpose.
 - (B) The amount distributed to a municipality shall, as funds allow, equal one hundred per cent of the cost of short-term provision of

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potable drinking water, one hundred per cent of the cost of the engineering report required by this section, one hundred per cent of the cost of capital improvements for the most cost-effective long-term method of providing potable drinking water as determined by the commissioner and the Commissioner of Public Health upon consideration of such engineering report, [and] one hundred per cent of the cost during the first five years of installation of monitoring and maintaining individual water treatment systems and monitoring drinking water wells located in an area where the commissioner determines that pollution of the groundwater is reasonably likely to occur, and one hundred per cent of the cost of providing such municipality with the water required to meet the public health and firefighting needs of such municipality during such five-year period. No state funds shall be distributed to a municipality for the cost of operating or maintaining any potable water supply facilities other than as specified in this subsection.

(C) Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, the commissioner may advance to a municipality, from the proceeds of any bonds authorized for the provision of potable drinking water, any percentage of the cost of short-term and long-term provision of potable drinking water which [he] the commissioner deems necessary.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2014	22a-471(b)(1)

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